

MINUTES OF AUGUST 9th, 1917.

The Board of Public Works of Maryland met at the office of the Treasurer of Maryland, in the City of Annapolis, August 9th, 1917.

There were present the Governor, the Comptroller of the Treasury and the State Treasurer.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Promptly at twelve o'clock, noon, bids were opened for the purchase of \$500.000.00 of 4% bonds, or Certificates of Indebtedness, of the State of Maryland, to bear date the 15th day of August, 1917, and to mature on the 15th day of August, 1918, as per Resolution passed by the Board of Public Works on July 11, 1917, and advertisement thereunder.

The Following bids were received and opened:

Blake Brothers & Co.,	\$500.000. all or any,	\$99.2951 and Int.
David J. Wilson,	\$970.00 for one certificate of	\$1.000.00.
Estabrook & Co.,	all or any,	99.35 and int.
J. S. Wilson, Jr., & Co,	all or none,	98.812 and int.
Owen Daily & Co.,	all or none,	98.11 and int.
Union Trust Co.,	Baltimore,	100.00 and int.

On the above bids the certificates of indebtedness were awarded to the Union Trust Company at their bid of \$100. and interest.

The Board considered the question of per capita payments to Charitable State Institutions and carried unanimously the resolution passed by the Board of State Aid and Charities, dated August 1st, 1917, as follows:

"IT WAS RESOLVED, That whereas, it is apparent to the Board that owing to the largely increased cost of maintenance of hospitals and institutions receiving state aid, that practically all of said institutions will, under any per capita system that may be adopted, earn the full amounts appropriated by the Legislature of 1916 for the year 1917;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the appropriations made to the said respective institutions by the Legislature for the year 1917, be paid to them in quarterly payments to the aggregate amount appropriated by the Legislature;

PROVIDED, That the last quarterly payments of the respective appropriations to the following institutions be held up pending the investigation now being conducted by the Board of State Aid and Charities:

The Boys Home Society.
 The Baltimore Manual Labor School.
 The National Junior Republic.
 The Hahnemann Hospital.

The Board took up for consideration to question of State printing contract and the Secretary was directed to take up with the several departments of the state which are required to make an annual report, the question of ascertaining the number necessary for its use, and to report the same to the next meeting of the Board. Motion carried.

The Attorney General brought to the attention of the Board the question of enforcing the penalty incurred by corporations in failing to file their annual statements with the State Tax Commission. The Board reserved its decision in the matter pending an investigation by the Attorney General, concerning the time notices were sent out by the State Tax Commission.

The following bills were ordered paid from the Contingent Fund of the Board of Public Works:

Baltimore Scale Repair Company, for repairing the hay

scales, for \$50.00; Baltimore Sun, for \$78.30, publishing advertisement War Loan of 1917; Baltimore Sun, for \$73.50, publishing proposals for State Stationary; Baltimore News, \$47.00 publishing State Stationary advertisement; Baltimore American, \$41.25, publishing State Stationary advertisement.

A communication from the Conservation Commission of Maryland relating to the sale of the State's boats, read, considered and the following resolution unanimously adopted:

IT IS RESOLVED, That the Conservation Commission of Maryland be authorized to sell the State Steamer "Governor P. F. Thomas" at a price not less than \$45.000, it being understood that the proceeds of the sale of said steamer are to be used in the purchase of new vessels or refitting of other vessels of the State Fishery Force in such manner as the Commission may think proper.

IT IS RESOLVED, That the Conservation Commission of Maryland be authorized to sell at such prices as it may think adequate, the following vessles of the State Fishery Force: Schooner "Folly"; Schooner "Frolic"; Schooner "Julia Hamilton"; Power boat "Daisy Archer"; it being understood that the proceeds of the sale of these boats will be used by said Commission in the purchase of new vessles or the repairing of other vessels of the State Fishery Force in such manner as the Commission may think Proper.

The letter to the Governor, from Mr. J. A. C. Bond, relating to the transfer to the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad of certain property purchased from the Board of Prison Control, was read and action thereon deferred to the next meeting of the Board.

Upon motion, the Board adjourned.

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Secretary of the Board.